## Fantasy Football Mania - September 22nd

How many of you participate in fantasy football? How is your season going?

Some of you are probably asking yourself, what is fantasy football? Fantasy football is a competition in which participants select imaginary teams from among the players in a league and score points according to the actual performance of their players. So, you could have the quarterback of the Cowboys and a running back from the Cardinals on your team. Your score is determined by how they do week by week. You participate in a league against other players' teams.

Today, over ninety-two million people play fantasy football. Fantasy Football is now a multi-billion-dollar industry based around teams that don't exist. You could call it Fantasy Football Mania.

I am okay with playing fantasy football or spending money on other leisurely pursuits if they don't rule your life. Yet, what does it say when we spend so much time and money on something as fleeting as fantasy sports? What we spend our time and money on shows what we value.

Here at YOUR CHURCH NAME, we focus not on fantasy but on eternity. We value people. Our goal is to move people into a loving relationship with our loving heavenly Father. That is our mania. And every week, we ask people to give to support our life-changing work. Our work is not fantasy but fact. We are making a difference, and we ask you to generously give this morning to help us impact our town for something that isn't fantasy, eternity!